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Budget and Faculty Welfare Committee November Meeting

Location: Champ Hall
Date: November 12, 2010
Time: 3:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Bates, Jon Gudmundson, Doug Jackson-Smith, Rhonda Miller, Ilka Nemere, Ed Reeve, Chuck Salzberg, Alan Stephens, Steve Sturgeon

Agenda

Update by Provost Coward
Approval of Minutes
Salary Increases
Benefits Survey Assistance
Faculty Forum Update
Next Steps for Health Benefits Input

Action Items

- Motion made by Alan Stephens and seconded by Ed Reeve to approve the September and October minutes with correction noted (Steve Sturgeon present for September meeting).
- Graduate Program Review -- None
- Benefits Survey Assistance - Students in the School of Business will be sending out surveys covering "Benefits Knowledge & Interest" and "Health Wellness". BrandE Faupell requesting assistance from BFW in getting information on the surveys out to the faculty and encouraging them to respond. BFW felt that having two groups sending out survey requests could be confusing. Decision made to leave this survey to the students. BFW could potentially follow-up with a more in-depth survey later if warranted.

Discussion Items

- Update by Provost Coward - Letter from President on state revenues. Salary increases this year are unlikely. Discussion on various "pots" of money and how the dollars are allocated. Freshman class has increased 54% over the past five years.
- Faculty Forum Update - Faculty Forum relatively sedate. Not much discussion.
- Next Steps for Health Benefits Input - Discussion on what can be done to get more input in our health care decisions. Invite Vince Wickwar to next meeting to discuss in more detail.

Meeting adjourned.